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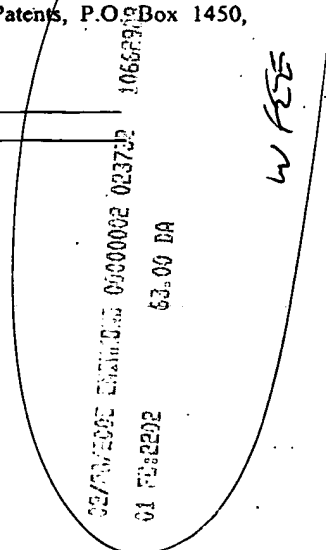
This paper is being filed in response to the Official Office Action mailed August 25, 2004. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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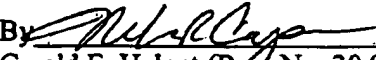
The member 21 of Hickman is not removable from either end of the wrist strap.

Furthermore, there would be no motivation for one of ordinary skill in the art to combine Hickman with Tentler, because the combination would not result in a strap having a first end and a second end in a semi-closed relationship and said first end being removable from said second end.

New claims 20-27 are also patentable over the cited references and do not introduce new matter.

For the above reasons, Applicant respectfully requests the allowance of all claims and the issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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